

DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

October 27, 2008

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER / APCO

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

REGULATION 8, RULE 45: MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT COATING OPERATIONS

On **Wednesday, December 3, 2008**, the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Rule 45: Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Coating Operations (Rule 8-45); Regulation 3: Fees, Schedule R: Equipment Registration Fees; and the adoption of a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Hearing will be held in the 7th Floor Board Room of the District Office, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. District Board meetings commence at 9:45 a.m.

Regulation 8, Rule 45 regulates emissions from automotive refinishing operations by limiting the amount of volatile organic compounds (VOC) that various types of automotive coatings and cleanup solvents may contain. The proposed amendments will implement control measure SS-1 in the 2005 Ozone Strategy and is largely based on ARB's 2005 Suggested Control Measure for Automotive Coatings. The proposal also includes new requirements for mobile refinishing operations. Mobile refinishers are typically small, one-person operations that travel from place to place to repair and repaint minor dents and scratches, frequently at auto dealerships. Mobile refinishers would be required to register with the District. Frequent mobile refinishing clients, such as auto dealerships, would be required to record mobile refinisher service visits. A concurrent amendment is proposed in Regulation 3: Fees, Schedule R: Equipment Registration Fees to recoup costs of inspecting these operations. Proposed fees for mobile refinishers required to register are \$100 for initial registrations and \$60 for annual renewals.

The following table provides a summary of the VOC limits for automotive coatings and clean-up solvents the District is proposing for incorporation into Rule 8-45.

Proposed Coating Categories and VOC Limits

Coating Categories	VOC Limits	Effective Dates
	(g/l)	
Clear Coating	250	
Color Coating	420	
Multi-Color Coating	680	
Pretreatment Coating	660	
Temporary Protective Coating	60	October 1, 2009
Truck Bed Liner Coating	310	
Underbody Coating	430	
Uniform Finish Coating	540	
Any Other Coating Type	250	
All Solvents	25	
Adhesion Promoter	540	
Primer	250	January 1, 2010
Single-Stage Coating	340	

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.), an initial study for the proposed amendments has been conducted, concluding that the proposed amendments would not have significant adverse environmental impacts. Notice is hereby given that the District intends to adopt a negative declaration for the amendments pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080(c) and CEQA Guidelines section 15070 et seq.

Comments on the negative declaration will be received from Monday, October 27, 2008 until 5:00 pm on Monday, November 17, 2008.

The proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Rule 45 and Regulation 3, Schedule R, a staff report, socioeconomic analysis, CEQA Environmental Analysis and draft Negative Declaration are available on the District's web site at http://www.baaqmd.gov/pln/ruledev/regulatory_public_hearings.htm, or by request. Questions or comments on the proposed amendments and Negative Declaration should be directed to Victor Douglas, Principal Air Quality Specialist, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109, at (415) 749-4752, via fax at (415) 749-4741, or via e-mail at vdouglas@baaqmd.gov. Comments on the regulatory proposal and Negative Declaration will be received from Monday, October 27, 2008, until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 17, 2008.